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1. In May 1953, a Pole of the 1934 class, who lived in Warsaw, was inducted and assigned to an infantry unit which was stationed at Ostrow-Wielkopolski (P 52/C 98). <sup>1</sup>
2. Between 16 and 19 June 1953, several Polish veterans in Gdynia (Q 55/Y 44) said that the term of active military service was three years for the Army and the Air Force and four years for the Navy. The Poles also said that this system was not rigidly observed. For instance, servicemen were discharged from the navy after two or three years depending on requirements of the merchant fleet. <sup>2</sup>

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- 25X1A 1. [ ] Comment. It is believed that this was no regular induction, since the 1932 class was inducted in the fall of 1952 as scheduled, which was confirmed by an official announcement. [ ] 25X1A
- 25X1A 2. [ ] Comment. The national defense act provides for a 2-year term of active service in the army and a 3-year term of active service in the air force and the navy. During the last years, it was an established policy to discharge qualified specialists from the army only after three or three and a half years. This office believes that the term of active service in the army is still two years despite the rumors on an extension of this term.
- 25X1A 3. [ ] Comment. The majority of the members of the 1929 class were inducted in the fall of 1950. It is known that the induction of Germans is sometimes delayed. [ ] 25X1
- 25X1A 4. [ ] Comment. The majority of the members of the 1931 class was inducted in the spring and the fall of 1951.

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